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Hiroshi HAMASAKA et al.	:	
Patent No. 7,356,247	:	Atty Docket No. 2002_0034A
Issued April 8, 2008	:	
INFORMATION		Confirmation No. 3478
RECORDING APPARATUS AND		
METHOD FOR THE SAME	:	

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.322

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.322, it is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction issue to correct the following:

Applicants kindly request that Okada reference (U.S. 6,181, 870) be identified as a cited reference.

REMARKS

Please note that the Okada reference was not identified as a cited reference due to Examiner error (see request dated November 21, 2006, response to allowance dated September 20, 2007 and Office communication dated July 1, 2008, attached herewith).

Respectfully submitted,

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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

PATENT NO : 7,356,247
DATED : April 8, 2008
INVENTOR(S) : Hiroshi HAMASAKA et al.

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Applicants kindly request that Okada reference (U.S. 6,181,870) be identified as a cited reference.



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Filed January 16, 2002 : Examiner Daniel T. Tekle

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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSIDERATION OF LISTED REFERENCE

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Sir:

The Examiner issued an Examiner's initialed copy of the Information Disclosure Statement (PTO-1449) which was filed on June 20, 2003. The Examiner's initialed copy was attached to the Office Action mailed on July 24, 2006. However, the Examiner failed to initial the Okada reference (U.S. 6,181,870). Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner review the Information Disclosure Statement enclosed herewith, and re-issue a copy wherein all of the listed references are acknowledged.

A copy of the partially initialed form PTO-1449 is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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Serial No. 10/046,512 : **[Group Art Unit 2621**
Filed January 16, 2002 : **Examiner Daniel T. Tekle]**

INFORMATION RECORDING
APPARATUS AND METHOD
FOR THE SAME : **Attorney Docket No. 2002_0034A**

RESPONSE TO ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Applicants hereby request that the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed with the Patent Office on June 20, 2003 be completely considered by the Examiner, as it appears that the Examiner has inadvertently failed to initial next to the U.S. Patent Documents reference "AA" listed thereon. The Applicants also request that the Examiner return a completely initialed copy of the form PTO-1449 which was filed as part of the IDS of June 20, 2003. Enclosed herewith are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449, references, and date-stamped postcard receipt as evidence that the Information Disclosure Statement was submitted. Also enclosed is a copy of the partially filled out PTO-1449 form for the Examiner's convenience.

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of the references listed on attached form PTO-1449. A legible copy of each reference listed on the form PTO-1449 is enclosed.

- 1a. ☒ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

within three months of the filing date (or of entry into the National Stage) of the above-entitled application, or

before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits or the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of an RCE,

and thus no certification and/or fee is required.

- 1b. ☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted

after the events of above paragraph 1a and prior to the mailing date of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance or an action which otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and thus:

- (1) ☐ the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, or
- (2) ☐ the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

- 1c. ☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

after the mailing date of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance or action which otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and prior to payment of the issue fee, and thus:

**the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, and
the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.**

2. It is hereby certified

- a. ☐ that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement, or
- b. ☐ that no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement.

3. ☐ Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.
4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
- a. ☐ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
- b. ☒ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,

- c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
- d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstracts,
- e. ☒ the concise explanation for reference AM is set forth below:

U.S. Patent No. 6,181,870 corresponds to JP 2000-152183.

5. ☐ A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

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Receipt of the following papers is acknowledged:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Form PTO-1449 w(5) references attached

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